

Rule 51. Complaint of Judicial Misconduct or Disability

The procedures for processing a complaint of judicial misconduct or disability are pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 372(c). The clerk will provide copies of these procedures on request.

Rule 52. Fees**(a) Judicial Conference Schedule of Fees.**

- (1) **General.** The fees charged by the clerk must be the fees prescribed by the Judicial Conference of the United States pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1913 or by this rule. No fees may be charged for services rendered on behalf of the United States. Unless a fee is listed in the Judicial Conference schedule or in this rule, there is no fee.
- (2) **Docketing Fee.** The docketing fee will be paid to the trial court clerk on filing a notice of appeal in that court. The docketing fee will be paid to this court's clerk on filing any other proceeding, including an appeal or petition for review from the Patent and Trademark Office or the Merit Systems Protection Board, or any other agency, and including an extraordinary writ.
- (3) **Judicial Conference Schedule of Fees.**
 - (A) For docketing a case on appeal or review, or docketing any other proceeding: \$100. A separate fee must be paid by each party filing a notice of appeal in a district court, but parties filing a joint notice of appeal in a district court are required to pay only one fee. A docketing fee will not be charged for the docketing of a petition for permission to appeal, unless the appeal is allowed.
 - (B) For every search of the records of the court and certifying the results: \$15.
 - (C) For certifying any document or paper, whether the certification is made on the document or by separate instrument: \$5.
 - (D) For reproducing any record or paper: 50 cents per page. This fee applies to paper copies made from original documents or from microfiche or microfilm reproductions of the original records.
 - (E) For reproduction of magnetic tape recordings, cassette or reel-to-reel: \$15 including the cost of materials.

FEDERAL RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

FEDERAL CIRCUIT RULE

(F) For reproduction of the record in any appeal in which the requirement of an appendix is dispensed with by any court of appeals pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 30(f): a flat fee of \$25.

(G) For each microfiche or microfilm copy of any court record available: \$3.

(H) For retrieval of a record from a Federal Records Center, National Archives, or other storage location removed from the court's place of business: \$25.

(I) For a check paid to the court that is returned for insufficient funds: \$25.

(b) Copies of Opinions. For each copy of an opinion (including any separate or dissenting opinions), the fee is \$2. No charge may be assessed for the following:

- (1) a copy of the opinion furnished to each party of record in the case: and
- (2) copies of opinions furnished persons and organizations whose names are on a public interest list established by order of the court.

(c) Fees To Be Paid in Advance. The clerk is not required to docket any proceeding or perform any other service until all fees due the clerk are paid unless a party has been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis.

(d) Dismissal of Appeal for Failing To Pay Docketing Fee. If a proceeding is docketed without prepayment of the docketing fee, the appellant must pay the fee within 14 days after docketing. If the appellant fails to do so, the clerk may dismiss the appeal.

(e) Checks. Checks in payment of all fees must be made payable to the Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Practice Notes

No Refund of Fees. Fees are deposited with the Treasury Department on receipt. The clerk cannot refund any fee once it is deposited.

Checks and Drafts. Checks and drafts are accepted subject to collection, and full credit will be given only when the check or draft is accepted by the financial institution on which it is drawn.